

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-7. (cancelled)

8. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ A camera for medical, ~~particularly or dental,~~ use, comprising:

an elongated casing (2) adapted to be held in a user's hand and provided at its anterior end with means for image-taking ~~means, this~~ the casing (2) comprising means for control ~~means~~ (6, 8) of a sensitive type adapted to "freeze" on means for display ~~means~~ (5) an image chosen by the user, ~~these~~ the means for control ~~means~~ comprising a zone of detection (9) located on the casing (2) which is defined by a surface discontinuity, ~~such as a hollow or a crest (11), characterized in that~~ wherein the casing (2) contains a sensor element (6) associated with an electronic piloting circuit (8) and an electrostatic foam element (14) of which one end is applied against the sensor element (6) and its opposite end is applied against a zone of ~~[[the]]~~ an inner face of the casing (2) disposed plumb with the zone of detection (9).

9. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to Claim 8, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the electrostatic foam

element (14), when ~~it is~~ in position between the inner face of the casing (2) and the sensor element (6), is in a slightly compressed state.

10. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a part of the foam element (14) in contact with the sensor element (6) has a larger surface than that of the ~~latter~~ the sensor element (6).

11. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a resistivity of ~~that~~ the part of the foam element (14) in contact with the sensor element (6) is greater than the resistivity of ~~[[the]]~~ a central part of the foam element (14).

12. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a resistivity of ~~that~~ the part of the foam element (14) in contact with the inner face of the casing (2) is less than the resistivity of ~~[[the]]~~ a central part of the foam element (14).

13. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a resistivity of the foam element (14) is less than 5 MΩ.cm.

14. (currently amended) ~~Camera~~ The camera according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein a thickness of the foam element (14) before compression is of ~~[[the]]~~ an order of 5 mm and ~~[[the]]~~ a resistivity of ~~that part thereof~~ the foam element (14) in contact with the inner face of the casing (2) is of ~~[[the]]~~ an order of 300 kΩ.cm, the resistivity of its opposite face is of ~~[[the]]~~ an order of 3000 kΩ.cm and the resistivity of the central part of the foam element (14) between the extreme layers is of ~~[[the]]~~ an order of 1500 kΩ.cm.

15. (new) An assembly for medical or dental, use, comprising:

an elongated casing (2) adapted to be held in a user's hand and provided at its anterior end with a camera, the casing (2) comprising a controller (6, 8) of a sensitive type adapted to "freeze" on a display (5) an image chosen by the user, the controller further comprising a zone of detection (9) located on the casing (2) which is defined by a surface discontinuity, a hollow or a crest (11), wherein the casing (2) contains a sensor element (6) associated with an electronic piloting circuit (8) and an electrostatic foam element (14) of which one end is applied against the sensor element (6) and its opposite end is applied against a zone of an inner face of the casing (2) disposed plumb with the zone of detection (9).

16. (new) The assembly according to Claim 15, wherein the electrostatic foam element (14), when in position between the inner face of the casing (2) and the sensor element (6), is in a slightly compressed state.

17. (new) The assembly according to claim 15, wherein a part of the foam element (14) in contact with the sensor element (6) has a larger surface than that of the sensor element (6).

18. (new) The assembly according to claim 15, wherein a resistivity of the part of the foam element (14) in contact with the sensor element (6) is greater than the resistivity of a central part of the foam element (14).

19. (new) The assembly according to claim 15, wherein a resistivity of the part of the foam element (14) in contact with the inner face of the casing (2) is less than the resistivity of a central part of the foam element (14).

20. (new) The assembly according to claim 15, wherein a resistivity of the foam element (14) is less than 5 MΩ.cm.

21. (new) The assembly according to claim 15, wherein a thickness of the foam element (14) before compression is of an order of 5 mm and a resistivity of the foam element (14) in

contact with the inner face of the casing (2) is of an order of 300 k Ω .cm, the resistivity of its opposite face is of an order of 3000 k Ω .cm and the resistivity of the central part of the foam element (14) between the extreme layers is of an order of 1500 k Ω .cm.